Agnes Roberts age 90 has lived in Miami for over 80 years. Originally a Mississippi native, she moved to Miami with her family in 1926. She graduated from Homestead High School married and eventually settled into her current South Miami Heights Home, located at 9131 Ridgeland Drive. Surely she has seen Miami grow into a prominent community of which she was a part.

Throughout her years, she always gave back to her community. And until her retirement 10 years ago, owned a local flower shop in this south Miami-Dade community. Her flower business was always involved in given back to her commuty. Providing flowers for many charitable events.

Recently, Miami-Dade County Government and the South Miami Heights Community, along with several private and non-profit organizations, got the opportunity to give back to Agnes Roberts.

Her home began deteriorating after she became a widow and the home was in need of repair. The Miami-Dade County Senior Housing Assistance Repair Program (S.H.A.R.P.) became involved.

This program was created by Team Metro, a Miami-Dade County Agency, which entered into a partnership with Commerce Bank, The Bunnell Foundation, a local general contractor, and also receives assistance from the local Home Depot stores.

Ms. Robert is now one of several beneficiaries of this innovative program which by now has helped several Miami-Dade County residents in need of home repair assistance.

Ms. Robert's home underwent exterior and interior repairs which were necessary to ensure a longer "home life." The repairs were provided by the Bunnell Foundation, Home Depot employee volunteers and Team Metro Melrose office staff which is directed by Regional Coordinator, Ms. Suzanne Salichs. Ms. Salichs originally came up with this idea and has been instrumental in coordinating the S.H.A.R.P. program.

On December 13, Agnes Roberts held a ribbon cutting ceremony at her home. This event celebrated the conclusion of her home's repairs and recognized all of the S.H.A.R.P. participants that made this another successful event. It was attended by all of the program's partners including District 8, Miami-Dade County Commissioner Katy Sorenson and Team Metro Director Sam Walthour. The Office of the Miami-Dade County Mayor's Office was also represented

The S.H.A.R.P. program continues to provide home repair assistance for those Miami-Dade County citizens that are recognized to be in need by the Guardianship Program of Dade County.